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Welcome to the Africa Carbon Forum 2011!

Building on the success of the second Africa Carbon Forum (ACF) which took place last year in Nairobi, Kenya, that brought together over 1000 participants from 70 countries, the organizing partners are pleased to invite you to this third edition which takes place in the 10th year after the prompt start of the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) in the same location.

African Carbon Forum Objectives:

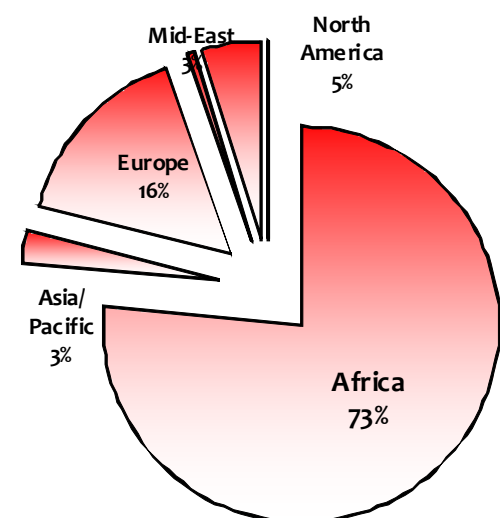
- Update on the different views of the challenges associated with global climate change, and recent developments in the international carbon market;
- Discuss with project developers and technical specialists of a wide range of sectors and technologies arising from best practices and lessons learned for the implementation of CDM projects in Africa;
- Learn from the most respected experts from the public and private sector on strategies and measures aimed at promoting the benefits of the CDM in the region, emphasizing the new Programmatic CDM approach;
- Seize opportunities to establish contacts throughout the Forum.

Success of the Africa Carbon Forum

ACF2010 was a smashing success with over 90% satisfaction reported by ACF participants. The ACF has been pivotal in connecting African project developers with foreign investors and carbon market representatives, truly engaging Africa in the emissions trading process.

3 reasons why it is increasingly successful:

1. It provides practitioners and policy makers from national climate change teams, governments, the private sector and international organizations a cost effective opportunity to learn about the latest policy and operational issues in the area of development/climate change and the use of carbon finance. For instance: low carbon development pathways, carbon markets (emission trading schemes and the current/future of the CDM), analysis of national and international climate change mitigation policies, and the facilitation of the negotiation of emissions.
2. Matchmaking sessions enable potential CDM project participants and developers to showcase their projects to interested parties, including investors and carbon buyers.
3. The agreements reached at the UNFCCC conference in Cancun provide clear signals that carbon markets and climate finance will be an integral part of the global response to climate. For current mechanisms, some schemes have clearly indicated rules that sustain a demand for CDM beyond 2012 in Africa.



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Africa Carbon Forum 2011 – Conference Program

The conference program for the 2011 Forum is under development. It will cover topics such as:

- Transitioning toward low-carbon sustainable development;
- The role of climate finance instruments in promoting green investment;
- Challenges in financial engineering for climate-friendly projects;
- Cities and Carbon Finance;
- Forestry, REDD;
- Scaling up clean and efficient technologies.

Please note if you are interested in submitting ideas for other topics to be eventually presented either as training-, plenary-, or workshop-sessions, please contact Samira Elkhamlichi, selkhamlichi@worldbank.org

Who are the Organizers?

United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). Based in Bonn, Germany, the UNFCCC secretariat provides organizational support and technical expertise to the negotiations and institutions of the UNFCCC and the Kyoto Protocol. Included in this mandate is support to the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism (CDM), through which projects in developing countries can earn saleable credits by reducing greenhouse gas emissions. To date there are more than 2520 registered projects in 69 countries. Despite its recognized success in spurring investment in climate change mitigation and sustainable development, much remains to be done to expand CDM's reach in less developed countries.

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United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and its UNEP Risoe Centre is the United Nations system's designated entity for addressing environmental issues at the global and regional level. Its mandate is to coordinate the development of environmental policy consensus by keeping the global environment under review and bringing emerging issues to the attention of governments and the international community for action. UNEP's work emphasizes strengthening links between environmental sustainability and economic decision-making, an emerging nexus for public policymaking and market development. In the area of climate change, our approach aims at reducing barriers to market development, building capacities, and easing the costs and risks of entry of new actors, in both the public and private sectors. As a founding member of the Nairobi Framework, UNEP works with other UN agencies and partners, and UNDP in particular, on a range of activities to help African countries become more active in the carbon market. **Contact:** Miriam Hinostroza, milh@risoe.dtu.dk, www.uneprisoe.org

The International Emissions Trading Association (IETA). IETA is a nonprofit business organization created in June 1999 to establish a functional international framework for trading in greenhouse gas emission reductions. Our membership includes leading international companies from across the carbon trading cycle. IETA members seek to develop an emissions trading regime that results in real and verifiable greenhouse gas emission reductions, while balancing economic efficiency with environmental integrity and social equity. IETA currently has offices in Geneva (Switzerland), Toronto (Canada), Brussels (Belgium) and US offices in Washington, DC and San Francisco, CA. **Contact:** Cedric Ammann, ammann@ieta.org, www.ieta.org

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). As the United Nations' global development network, UNDP's goal is to align human development and climate change management efforts by promoting mitigation and adaptation activities that promote socio-economic progress. With a US\$5 billion portfolio of energy and environment projects, UNDP is one of the world's largest providers of technical assistance in the area of climate change. On the ground in 166 countries, UNDP has built links and considerable trust with governments, civil society and the private sector. Over the past seven years, UNDP has been involved in carbon finance capacity development activities in more than 20 countries across several regions. At both global and regional levels, UNDP's capacity development activities have been supported by systematic review and compilation of best practices and lessons learned on CDM, which are being disseminated through a series of knowledge products and publications. **Contact:** Matt Spannagle, matt.spannagle@undp.org, www.undp.org

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) was founded in 1965 with the mission to deliver innovative learning products and conduct research on knowledge systems that develop the capacity of beneficiaries mostly national, local government officials and civil society actors. Within this framework, the UNITAR Climate Change Programme (CCP) seeks to enhance the capacity of developing countries to improve their participation in the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) process. UNITAR-CCP has been engaged in supporting Developing Countries including the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) to develop their National Adaptation Programmes of Action (NAPAs) and also coordinates and mobilizes resources that enable its network of regional centers of excellence, to create and increase national, local and regional expertise on climate change adaptation and mitigation. **Contact:** Mamadou Moussa Diakhite, Mamadou.diakhite@unitar.org, www.unitar.org

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD). Established in 1964, UNCTAD promotes the development-friendly integration of developing countries into the world economy. UNCTAD has progressively evolved into an authoritative knowledge-based institution whose work aims to help shape current policy debates and thinking on development, with a particular focus on ensuring that domestic policies and international action are mutually supportive in bringing about sustainable development. UNCTAD's Climate Change Programme has a significant role to play in the international climate change debate on the effects of – and policy responses to – global climate change, as well as to the United Nations-wide response strategy. In particular, the programme focuses in addressing the economic aspects of climate change and its trade and development implications. Through its analytical, technical and capacity-building expertise, the programme assists developing countries in identifying opportunities under the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) and in designing low-carbon-intensive development strategies to attract investments in areas where national advantages exist. It is also involved in the implementation of the Nairobi Framework, a standing effort in promoting inter-agency collaboration and coordination, which aims to help developing countries, especially those in sub-Saharan Africa, to improve their level of participation in the CDM. **Contact:** Lucas Assunção, lucas.assuncao@unctad.org, www.unctad.org

The World Bank . The World Bank's mission is to help developing countries and their people reach the goals of poverty alleviation and sustainable development by working with our partners. To do that, we concentrate on building the climate for investment and creation of jobs, and on empowering poor people to participate in development. Addressing global climate change through market development is an important component of our overall mission. The World Bank has played a pioneering role in engendering the carbon market, and so far utilized over \$2 billion in promoting carbon mitigation projects, including in Africa. Capacity building and technical assistance to developing countries is an important endeavor of the World Bank, which complements its carbon finance activities. Carbon Finance Assist is the World Bank's flagship capacity building program implemented by the World Bank Institute. **Contact:** Samira Elkhamlichi, selkhamlichi@worldbank.org, <http://wbi.worldbank.org/wbi/about/topics/climate-change>

The African Development Bank (AfDB) is a significant and committed contributor to development in Africa. It was established in 1964 for the purpose of contributing to the sustainable economic development and social progress of its African member states. In this regard, the Bank has been using its resources to, among other things, address the climate change related challenges facing Africa. The Bank's action plan on climate change focuses on three main areas; low-carbon development, climate change adaptation and establishment of a climate change funding platform to be implemented through a mix of several financing options. The AfDB has identified investments worth over USD 11.5 billion that would contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation; USD 5.6 billion for supporting low-carbon growth, and USD 5.8 billion for supporting climate-resilient development. The Bank has also completed a series of capacity building programmes on REDD+ in the region. Recently, the Bank launched the African Carbon Support Programme with the specific aim of providing technical assistance to project developers in navigating the CDM market. **Contact:** Uche Duru, u.duru@afdb.org

General Inquiry & Registration

Please note that registration for all participants is free of charge

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Conference Program

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